

# Labor Force and Employment Estimates December 2017

## STATEWIDE LABOR FORCE

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
	PRELIM Dec-17	FINAL Nov-17	YEAR AGO Dec-16	NET CHANGE OVER		PRELIM Dec-17	FINAL Nov-17	YEAR AGO Dec-16	NET CHANGE OVER	
				1-Month	1-Year				1-Month	1-Year
Total labor force	3,170,600	3,168,300	3,114,900	2,300	55,700	3,150,300	3,172,900	3,098,300	-22,600	52,000
Employment	3,075,000	3,065,800	2,988,100	9,200	86,900	3,066,200	3,087,100	2,983,500	-20,900	82,700
Unemployment	95,700	102,500	126,800	-6,800	-31,100	84,100	85,900	114,800	-1,800	-30,700
Unemployment Rate	3.0%	3.2%	4.1%	-0.2%	-1.1%	2.7%	2.7%	3.7%	0.0%	-1.0%
National Rate	4.1%	4.1%	4.7%	0.0%	-0.6%	3.9%	3.9%	4.5%	0.0%	-0.6%

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

## MSA EMPLOYMENT

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
	PRELIM Dec-17	FINAL Nov-17	YEAR AGO Dec-16	NET CHANGE OVER		PRELIM Dec-17	FINAL Nov-17	YEAR AGO Dec-16	NET CHANGE OVER	
				1-Month	1-Year				1-Month	1-Year
Statewide	2,974,500	2,976,200	2,934,300	-1,700	40,200	2,982,600	3,002,900	2,935,200	-20,300	47,400
Appleton	128,500	128,800	125,900	-300	2,600	129,200	129,900	126,300	-700	2,900
Eau Claire	84,300	84,100	85,200	200	-900	85,100	86,300	85,700	-1,200	-600
Fond du Lac	48,900	48,700	48,700	200	200	48,800	49,400	48,800	-600	0
Green Bay	176,000	175,400	174,200	600	1,800	176,800	177,800	174,500	-1,000	2,300
Janesville	69,900	69,400	67,700	500	2,200	70,000	70,100	67,800	-100	2,200
La Crosse	80,000	80,300	78,700	-300	1,300	81,300	81,800	79,600	-500	1,700
Madison	405,400	407,200	397,800	-1,800	7,600	408,100	411,700	400,800	-3,600	7,300
Milwaukee-W.O.W.	868,000	867,800	860,300	200	7,700	870,300	876,000	859,700	-5,700	10,600
Oshkosh-Neenah	97,000	96,300	96,500	700	500	97,500	97,600	97,000	-100	500
Racine	77,200	77,800	76,900	-600	300	77,500	78,300	77,200	-800	300
Sheboygan	61,900	62,100	62,800	-200	-900	61,800	62,100	62,100	-300	-300
Wausau	73,700	73,300	72,800	400	900	74,700	74,400	73,600	300	1,100

Source: Current Employment Statistics (CES)

## MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

	NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
	PRELIM Dec-17	FINAL Nov-17	YEAR AGO Dec-16	NET CHANGE OVER	
				1-Month	1-Year
Wisconsin	2.7	2.7	3.7	0.0	-1.0
Appleton	2.4	2.5	3.2	-0.1	-0.8
Eau Claire	2.8	2.5	3.7	0.3	-0.9
Fond du Lac	2.2	2.3	3.0	-0.1	-0.8
Green Bay	2.5	2.6	3.5	-0.1	-1.0
Janesville	2.8	2.9	4.0	-0.1	-1.2
La Crosse	2.4	2.3	3.4	0.1	-1.0
Madison	1.9	2.1	2.6	-0.2	-0.7
Milwaukee-W.O.W.	2.7	3.0	3.9	-0.3	-1.2
Oshkosh-Neenah	2.4	2.5	3.2	-0.1	-0.8
Racine	3.2	3.3	4.4	-0.1	-1.2
Sheboygan	2.3	2.4	3.1	-0.1	-0.8
Wausau	2.4	2.4	3.2	0.0	-0.8

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Note: Seasonally adjusted unemployment estimates for MSAs are available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics website: <http://www.bls.gov/lau/metrossa.htm>.  
County and city unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

# Local Unemployment Rates December 2017

## CITIES

CITY	Dec-17 RANK	Nov-17 RANK	Dec-17 RATE	Nov-17 RATE	Dec-16 RATE
Appleton	17	14	2.5	2.6	3.3
Beloit	29	30	3.2	3.7	4.4
Brookfield	11	17	2.4	2.7	3.1
Caledonia	22	26	2.8	3.0	4.0
Eau Claire	4	4	2.2	2.3	3.2
Fitchburg	1	1	1.8	1.9	2.5
Fond du Lac	11	6	2.4	2.5	3.2
Franklin	25	27	3.0	3.2	3.4
Green Bay	20	20	2.7	2.8	3.7
Greenfield	25	21	3.0	2.9	3.8
Janesville	20	21	2.7	2.9	4.0
Kenosha	30	29	3.3	3.6	4.6
La Crosse	11	6	2.4	2.5	3.4
Madison	1	2	1.8	2.0	2.5
Manitowoc	25	21	3.0	2.9	4.5
Menomonee Falls	5	6	2.3	2.5	3.2

CITY	Dec-17 RANK	Nov-17 RANK	Dec-17 RATE	Nov-17 RATE	Dec-16 RATE
Milwaukee	31	31	3.4	3.8	4.9
Mount Pleasant	22	21	2.8	2.9	3.7
Neenah	11	5	2.4	2.4	3.3
New Berlin	5	6	2.3	2.5	3.3
Oak Creek	5	6	2.3	2.5	3.4
Oshkosh	11	17	2.4	2.7	3.2
Racine	32	32	3.8	4.1	5.4
Sheboygan	17	14	2.5	2.6	3.5
Stevens Point	11	14	2.4	2.6	3.2
Sun Prairie	3	3	2.0	2.1	2.5
Superior	22	21	2.8	2.9	4.1
Waukesha	5	6	2.3	2.5	3.3
Wausau	17	17	2.5	2.7	3.2
Wauwatosa	5	6	2.3	2.5	3.1
West Allis	25	27	3.0	3.2	4.5
West Bend	5	6	2.3	2.5	3.1

## COUNTIES Alphabetical Order

COUNTY	Dec-17 RANK	Nov-17 RANK	Dec-17 RATE	Nov-17 RATE	Dec-16 RATE
Adams	70	68	5.1	4.2	6.3
Ashland	59	63	3.9	3.8	5.5
Barron	47	41	3.3	2.8	4.5
Bayfield	71	70	5.2	4.4	7.5
Brown	14	25	2.4	2.5	3.4
Buffalo	45	38	3.2	2.7	4.4
Burnett	66	67	4.5	4.1	6.3
Calumet	5	13	2.2	2.4	2.8
Chippewa	48	38	3.4	2.7	4.5
Clark	28	5	2.7	2.3	3.9
Columbia	8	13	2.3	2.4	3.2
Crawford	52	53	3.5	3.2	4.7
Dane	1	2	1.9	2.0	2.6
Dodge	8	13	2.3	2.4	3.3
Door	61	58	4.0	3.4	5.7
Douglas	56	61	3.6	3.6	5.1
Dunn	28	13	2.7	2.4	3.7
Eau Claire	14	13	2.4	2.4	3.3
Florence	68	66	4.6	4.0	6.5
Fond du Lac	5	5	2.2	2.3	3.0
Forest	68	65	4.6	3.9	6.1
Grant	14	13	2.4	2.4	3.4
Green	3	2	2.1	2.0	2.9
Green Lake	40	47	3.1	3.0	4.6
Iowa	8	5	2.3	2.3	3.2
Iron	72	72	5.6	5.3	7.6
Jackson	37	5	2.9	2.3	4.4
Jefferson	21	25	2.5	2.5	3.5
Juneau	38	38	3.0	2.7	4.3
Kenosha	40	56	3.1	3.3	4.2
Kewaunee	28	25	2.7	2.5	3.5
La Crosse	8	5	2.3	2.3	3.3
Lafayette	1	1	1.9	1.9	2.8
Langlade	58	53	3.8	3.2	4.9
Lincoln	35	31	2.8	2.6	4.3
Manitowoc	38	43	3.0	2.9	4.3

COUNTY	Dec-17 RANK	Nov-17 RANK	Dec-17 RATE	Nov-17 RATE	Dec-16 RATE
Marathon	14	13	2.4	2.4	3.2
Marinette	59	61	3.9	3.6	5.3
Marquette	52	47	3.5	3.0	4.8
Menominee	64	71	4.3	4.5	6.8
Milwaukee	40	58	3.1	3.4	4.4
Monroe	14	13	2.4	2.4	3.6
Oconto	40	41	3.1	2.8	4.3
Oneida	61	53	4.0	3.2	5.2
Outagamie	21	31	2.5	2.6	3.4
Ozaukee	3	5	2.1	2.3	3.0
Pepin	48	43	3.4	2.9	4.6
Pierce	28	31	2.7	2.6	4.2
Polk	56	47	3.6	3.0	5.0
Portage	21	13	2.5	2.4	3.4
Price	52	51	3.5	3.1	4.5
Racine	45	56	3.2	3.3	4.4
Richland	14	13	2.4	2.4	3.3
Rock	35	43	2.8	2.9	4.0
Rusk	61	58	4.0	3.4	5.3
Sauk	21	25	2.5	2.5	3.5
Sawyer	66	68	4.5	4.2	6.4
Shawano	28	31	2.7	2.6	3.7
Sheboygan	8	13	2.3	2.4	3.1
St. Croix	28	31	2.7	2.6	3.7
Taylor	48	13	3.4	2.4	4.7
Trempealeau	26	4	2.6	2.1	3.8
Vernon	21	5	2.5	2.3	3.6
Vilas	65	63	4.4	3.8	6.1
Walworth	28	31	2.7	2.6	3.6
Washburn	48	47	3.4	3.0	5.2
Washington	5	5	2.2	2.3	3.0
Waukesha	8	25	2.3	2.5	3.2
Waupaca	26	31	2.6	2.6	3.7
Waushara	52	51	3.5	3.1	4.7
Winnebago	14	25	2.4	2.5	3.2
Wood	40	43	3.1	2.9	4.4

Note: Ranking is ascending from lowest (best) unemployment rate to highest.  
Ranking ties exist in the results.

# Local Unemployment Rates December 2017

## COUNTIES

Ascending Order

COUNTY	Dec-17 RATE	Nov-17 RATE	Dec-16 RATE	COUNTY	Dec-17 RATE	Nov-17 RATE	Dec-16 RATE
Dane	1.9	2.0	2.6	Jackson	2.9	2.3	4.4
Lafayette	1.9	1.9	2.8	Juneau	3.0	2.7	4.3
Green	2.1	2.0	2.9	Manitowoc	3.0	2.9	4.3
Ozaukee	2.1	2.3	3.0	Green Lake	3.1	3.0	4.6
Calumet	2.2	2.4	2.8	Kenosha	3.1	3.3	4.2
Fond du Lac	2.2	2.3	3.0	Milwaukee	3.1	3.4	4.4
Washington	2.2	2.3	3.0	Oconto	3.1	2.8	4.3
Columbia	2.3	2.4	3.2	Wood	3.1	2.9	4.4
Dodge	2.3	2.4	3.3	Buffalo	3.2	2.7	4.4
Iowa	2.3	2.3	3.2	Racine	3.2	3.3	4.4
La Crosse	2.3	2.3	3.3	Barron	3.3	2.8	4.5
Sheboygan	2.3	2.4	3.1	Chippewa	3.4	2.7	4.5
Waukesha	2.3	2.5	3.2	Pepin	3.4	2.9	4.6
Brown	2.4	2.5	3.4	Taylor	3.4	2.4	4.7
Eau Claire	2.4	2.4	3.3	Washburn	3.4	3.0	5.2
Grant	2.4	2.4	3.4	Crawford	3.5	3.2	4.7
Marathon	2.4	2.4	3.2	Marquette	3.5	3.0	4.8
Monroe	2.4	2.4	3.6	Price	3.5	3.1	4.5
Richland	2.4	2.4	3.3	Waushara	3.5	3.1	4.7
Winnebago	2.4	2.5	3.2	Douglas	3.6	3.6	5.1
Jefferson	2.5	2.5	3.5	Polk	3.6	3.0	5.0
Outagamie	2.5	2.6	3.4	Langlade	3.8	3.2	4.9
Portage	2.5	2.4	3.4	Ashland	3.9	3.8	5.5
Sauk	2.5	2.5	3.5	Marinette	3.9	3.6	5.3
Vernon	2.5	2.3	3.6	Door	4.0	3.4	5.7
Trempealeau	2.6	2.1	3.8	Oneida	4.0	3.2	5.2
Waupaca	2.6	2.6	3.7	Rusk	4.0	3.4	5.3
Clark	2.7	2.3	3.9	Menominee	4.3	4.5	6.8
Dunn	2.7	2.4	3.7	Vilas	4.4	3.8	6.1
Kewaunee	2.7	2.5	3.5	Burnett	4.5	4.1	6.3
Pierce	2.7	2.6	4.2	Sawyer	4.5	4.2	6.4
Shawano	2.7	2.6	3.7	Florence	4.6	4.0	6.5
St. Croix	2.7	2.6	3.7	Forest	4.6	3.9	6.1
Walworth	2.7	2.6	3.6	Adams	5.1	4.2	6.3
Lincoln	2.8	2.6	4.3	Bayfield	5.2	4.4	7.5
Rock	2.8	2.9	4.0	Iron	5.6	5.3	7.6